



USWORTH COLLIERY

Weekly Newsletter



10th October 2025

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

This week's class attendance figures:

Classes with 96% and above are in the **green zone!**

Classes with 90% and below are in the **red zone!**

RAW	93.64%	4EH	97.39%
RLC	93.64%	4SP	99.5%
1JB	88.95%	5GS	100%
1JD	93.68%	5JM	99.46%
2EP	93.33%	6CS	89.57%
2PQ	95%	6JW	98.15%
3BB	96.76%	Base Blue	100%
3RD	97.14%	Base Yellow	98.36%
Base Red	81.11%	Thrive	100%

This week's winner of the 100% attendance certificate and Just Eat voucher is **Alfie in Y4 Base Yellow**

Congratulations to **Base Blue and Thrive and 5GS for 100% attendance**. What a week!

Whole school attendance **95.32%**

Remember every school day counts!

REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

Picking up children from After School Clubs

When collecting children from the afterschool clubs please can all adults use the school pedestrian gates rather than the staff car park gate. All gates into school are open after school and therefore there is no need to use the buzzer and wait to be let onto the school grounds. Thank you for your support in this .

Individual Photographs

This week your children should have come home with a letter of consent for them to have their individual school photos taken by Phototronics on Monday 24th November. Please can we have these consent forms back asap. If you have more than one child in school you will need to fill in a separate form for each of the children you would like to have photographed. Forms can be returned to class teachers or the office.

Parents Evening

This week you will have also received an email offering you appointments for the parents/carers meetings to discuss with the class teacher how your child has settled into their new class. This is an online booking system so please look out for this email or use this QR code to navigate to the booking form.

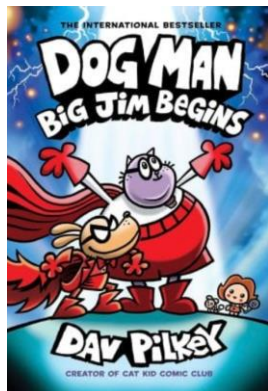


RECOMMENDED READS AND NEW RELEASES

DOG MAN 13: BIG JIM BEGINS – BY DAV PILKEY

The Dog Man origin story you never knew you needed is another laugh-out-loud comic book creation from Dav Pilkey, as our canine hero sets out to stop the Space Cuties from destroying the city.

In Dog Man: Big Jim Begins, discover the origin of our beloved characters from the Dog Man series as they join forces to stop the Space Cuties from destroying the city. Will the past predict the future for Dog Man and his friends? Will goodness and bravery prevail? Can anything happen if you truly believe? Get ready for another unforgettable book in the No1 worldwide bestselling series from master graphic novelist and award-winning illustrator Dav Pilkey.





DERWENT HILL PARENTS MEETING REMINDER

This meeting will be held at 5pm on Wednesday 15th October in the main hall.

UCPS GIRL'S FOOTBALL TEAM

On Tuesday evening, the girls' football team took part in their first round of league fixtures at Rickleton Primary. The team arrived full of energy and ready for the three matches ahead. First up was St Joseph's, coached by former Usworth Colliery teacher Miss Bell. The girls started brilliantly, defending solidly and pushing forward to score four early goals—two each from Saphira and Darcy. At that point, a new league rule came into play, allowing the opposition to add an extra player when four goals behind. Even with eight against our seven, our team stayed composed. St Joseph's pulled one back, but we held on for a 4–1 win. Next came Rickleton, a team we've often struggled against in past seasons. But not this time. With determined teamwork and focused play, we earned a well-deserved 2–0 victory, thanks again to goals from Saphira and Darcy. Safe to say, we were very happy with that result! Our final match was against a strong and physical Biddick side, who really tested our teamwork and resilience. The girls stayed organised and calm under pressure, working hard for each other across the pitch. Smart play and clinical finishing helped us secure our third win of the evening with a 3–0 result.

I'm so proud to share these results. Every player contributed brilliantly and our newer players should feel especially proud of their performances.

🏆 *Manager's Player of the Night:* **Saphira**, for scoring four goals on her debut.

🏆 *Players' Player of the Night:* **Jasmine**, for her tireless effort and great attitude throughout the evening.



Well done, girls! **Mrs Skeen**

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Day	Club name	Staff	Year Groups	Max number	Location
Monday	Forrest school	Mrs Walker/Mrs Prinn	Rec-2	20	Forrest school
Monday	Art Club	Miss Coxon	Rec-2	15	RLC classroom
Monday	Book club	Miss Brown	3-6	15	2JB classroom
Monday	Lego Club	Mrs Edmunds/Mrs Green	1-6	20	Art Room
Monday	Board Games	Mrs Calcutt	Rec-6	15	KS2 intervention room
Tuesday	Choir	Mrs Moore	3-6	20	TBC
Tuesday	Jewellery Making	Mrs Dixon	3-6	15	3 RD classroom
Tuesday	Mindful Colouring	Mrs Henderson	3-6	20	4EP classroom
Tuesday	Boxing club	Mr Pearson	5-6	10	Hall
Tuesday	KS1 Homework	Mrs Quinn	1-2	20+	2PQ classroom
Tuesday	KS2 Homework	Mrs Swinburn	3-6	20+	6CS classroom
Thursday	Boxing club	Mr Pearson	3-4	10	Hall

AUTUMN TERM DATES

Events next week New dates added

Tuesday 14th October	RLC Intergenerational Visit to Care Home
Tuesday 14th October	Handwashing Presentation School Nurse Year 1
Tuesday 21st October	Y5 Great North Museum (Newcastle)
Wednesday 22nd October	Parents Meetings
Thursday 23rd October	Yr 5/6 Sports Hall Athletics pm
Friday 24th October	Reception Open Morning for 2026-27 parents 9-11am
Friday 24th October	Last day of this half term

Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October - HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 4th November	Children back to school
Monday 10th November	RLC Library Visit
Monday 10th November	Little Wandle parent session (Rec-Y2) 9am
Tuesday 11th November	RAW Intergenerational Visit to Care Home
Tuesday 11th November	Remembrance Tea for Senior Citizens
Wednesday 12th November	RAW Library Visit
Monday 17th November	Little Wandle Rapid Catch-up parent session (KS2) 9am
Tuesday 18th November	RAW Intofilm festival
Monday 24th November	School Photograph Day
Wednesday 26th November	Reception Open Afternoon for 2026-27 parents 1-3pm
Monday 1st December	Start of Derwent Hill residential week
Tuesday 11th November	RLC Intofilm festival
Friday 14th November	Non Uniform Day fundraising for World Diabetes Day
Wednesday 17th December	RLC Northern Stage The Night Before ChrisMouse,
Thursday 18th December	RAW Northern Stage The Night Before ChrisMouse,
Wednesday 3rd December	Science is my Superpower (Newcastle pm)
Monday 8th December	Rocksteady Concert 10am
Monday 8th December	RLC Library Visit
Tuesday 9th December	RLC Intergenerational Visit to Care Home
Wednesday 10th December	RAW Library Visit
Friday 12th December	Reception Christmas performances (am performance no pre-school children pm performance all welcome)
Friday 12 th December	Autumn Term reports sent out to parents
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 3&4 Christmas performance (am performance no pre-school children pm performance all welcome)
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas fair
Friday 19 th December	Last day of Autumn Term

Children return to school on Monday 5th January

SUPERSTARS

Remember to check out this week's **SUPERSTARS!** These are shared on our school Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Usworth-Colliery-Primary-School/61572535178981/#>

Alternatively, you can also use the School Facebook link at the top of the school website.

Please note the school Twitter account, @UCPrimary, is no longer in use.

HOUSE POINTS

Check out our house point counter at <https://www.usworthcolliery.co.uk/children/house-point-counter>. Children are awarded points throughout the week for demonstrating our school values and following the Colliery Code.

This week's classes with the most house points are:

1st-6CS 2nd-RAW 3rd-5GS

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